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Meeting Minutes Monocacy Scenic River Board October 3, 2018 Taneytown, Maryland

Members Present: Sam Roop (FC), Matthew Toms (FC), Pat Baumgardner (CC), Vince

Baginsky (CC), Rhonda Bean (CC), Earl Bell (CC), George Grillon (CC)

Members Absent: Bob Whiting (FC), Jack Lynch (FC), Stan Mordensky (FC)

Staff Present: Byron Madigan (CC), Tim Goodfellow (FC)

Vice-Chair Earl Bell called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Public comments were made by George Rudy and Lisa Bell.

September 5, 2018 meeting minutes were distributed to River Board members for review. George motioned to approve the September 5, 2018 meeting minutes. Earl Bell seconded motion. Vote: 7 in favor; 0 opposed; 3 absent. Unanimous approval.

The River Board reviewed the changes made to the 2017 Plan on September 12, 2018, which were displayed on the wall from the computer.

The River Board discussed the removal of "Resource Protection Area" from Item no. 16 in the Appendix relating to the panel maps that show the forest cover, steep slopes, floodplain, wetlands, and land use along the entire length of the River. There was no vote on this, but unanimous approval as "Resource Protection Area" had been removed from the Plan document prior to the August 2, 2017 approval of the River Management Plan.

Vince motioned to replace the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act in the Appendix with the new version of the law that was adopted by the Maryland legislature and approved by the Governor on April 24, 2018. Matthew seconded motion. Vote: 7 in favor; 0 opposed; 3 absent.

Pat motioned to remove the first 2 pages of "Agriculturally Productive Buffers," a University of Vermont/Lake Champlain SeaGrant publication, from the Appendix. Vince seconded the motion. Vote: 7 in favor; 0 opposed; 3 absent.

George restated his addition to the Executive Summary which included a recommendation for additional water quality study in the Monocacy River watershed be conducted.

Matthew relayed a message from Chairman Mordensky that included a suggestion that the River Board hold another public hearing on their 2018 revised River Mngt. Plan.

George motioned to approve the 2018 Revised Monocacy River Management Plan. Vince seconded the motion. Vote: 7 in favor; 0 opposed; 3 absent.

Vince motioned to change the cover of the 2017 River Board Recommended River Management Plan to reflect October 3, 2018, the date of approval by the River Board. Earl seconded motion. Vote: 6 in favor; 1 opposed (Sam Roop); 3 absent.

Earl and Vince each distributed a letter to River Board members for use in announcing to Frederick County and Carroll County that the River Board has completed its work and approved a revised 2018 River Management Plan. The River Board decided to send Vince's letter as the formal transmittal letter, with Earl's letter to follow Vince's letter.

Unanimous approval to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm.

Submitted by Tim Goodfellow